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Text of Report by President's Counsel to Panel Conducting Billy Carter Inquiry

WASHINGTON, Aug. 4. — Following is the text of the report submitted by the President's counsel to the Senate Judiciary subcommittee.

Counsel's Statement

[V] Alleged White House Staff Knowledge of Payments to Billy Carter

So far as we have been able to determine, no one on the White House staff had any information about the payments of \$220,000, made by Libya to Billy Carter as described in his Registration Statement filed pursuant to the Foreign Agents Registration Act, or about any evidence in the possession of the Department of Justice relating to such payments, and no one in the White House furnished any such information to Billy Carter or anyone associated with him. So far as we have been able to determine, no one in the White House knew anything about such payments until Billy Carter's counsel informed Mr. Cutler of them on July 11, 1980, when the court papers were about to be filed relating to Billy Carter's registration under the Foreign Agents Registration Act. Mr. Cutler's statement describes when and how he received this information.

We have determined that a United States intelligence organization did receive information about these payments to Billy Carter in April 1980 and that sometime before June 11 the head of the organization provided this information directly to the Department of Justice and only to the Department of Justice. We have been assured by the head of the organization that this intelligence information was not furnished to the President or to anyone on the White House staff. We have also been advised by this same official that the organization has provided the intelligence information and a description of how it was handled to the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence.

The documents pertinent to this report, which are not attached to the President's Report and associated statements are attached here.

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